

Distinguished Members of the Judiciary Committee,

Please oppose S.B. # 16

I'm writing to you today because I saw the Governor's press conference where he said there are too many legal guns in Connecticut. Once again, the legal gun owners of this state are under attack. I'm opposed to extending the list of banned firearms. Every few years, this state keeps adding firearms that are in common use, to the already long list. Banning firearms and firearm features is not the answer to decreasing illegal firearms in Connecticut. Calling for more registration legislation is not the answer because DESPP/SFLU doesn't even have enough staff to process carry permit renewal within 6 months. The claim is homicide is at a 25 year high, meaning that the last 30 years of gun control didn't address the issue of crime. Maybe that has to do with the fact that criminals do not obey your gun control laws. I urge you to listen to the law-abiding people of Connecticut in that:

- You must **OPPOSE** S.B. 16 legislation and oppose gun control.
- You must **OPPOSE** H.B. No. 5416 – AN ACT CONCERNING BULK PURCHASES OF PISTOLS AND REVOLVERS.
- **SUPPORT** Raised S.B. No. 388 – AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEFENSE OF A PERSON OR A PERSON'S DWELLING, PLACE OF WORK OR MOTOR VEHICLE.
- **SUPPORT** Raised H.B. No. 5415 – AN ACT CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF ASSAULT WEAPONS AND LARGE CAPACITY MAGAZINES.
- **SUPPORT** Raised H.B. No. 5412 – AN ACT CONCERNING THE DUTY TO RETREAT IN A RELIGIOUS HOUSE OF WORSHIP.

I urge you to **NOT** Support Governor Lamont's attack on the over 300,000 lawful firearm permit holders of Connecticut.

Thank you,

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